GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

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HERITAGE CONSERVATION PROJECT IN A.P.
KAMBALAPADU E. KRISHNAMURTHY

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the State Government of Andhra Pradesh has sent proposals for the release of funds for Heritage Conservation Project;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the funds have been released for this project;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINIS` PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a) & (b) : No, Sir. However, the Government of Andhra Pradesh requested the Indian Oil Corporation (IOC) in June and November 2002 for conservation and restoration of the heritage monument `Warangal Fort` at a total cost of Rs. 2.65 crore in three phases.

(c) to (e) : IOC has formed a non-profit Trust, namely, Indian Oil Foundation for preserving one heritage site in each State and Union Territories in collaboration with Archaeological Survey of India (ASI).In the first phase, one-heritage sites of ASI each in Delhi, Karnataka, Maharastra, Madhya Pradesh and Orissa has been identified for the project.